

HOUSE RESOLUTION 60

By Zachary

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ashlyn Hodges as a recipient of the
2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize those
estimable citizens of this State, both young and old, who consistently demonstrate a personal
commitment to improve the lives and well-being of others; and

WHEREAS, Ashlyn Hodges, a resident of Knoxville and a senior at Farragut High
School, has achieved national recognition for her exemplary volunteer service, garnering a 2017
Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with
the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across
America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities;
and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hodges earned this award because of her leadership of Sparkle Squad,
her school's cheer team for students with disabilities; since her sophomore year, she has led the
squad in preparation for competitions and performances by coaching members, creating
routines, and acting as a parent liaison; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership, the Sparkle Squad has gone from performing at a few
games each season to performing alongside the varsity cheer team at every home football and
basketball game; the Sparkle Squad has also won awards at regional cheer competitions; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities,
and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of
young people like Ms. Hodges who use their considerable talents and resources to serve
others; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting that the members of this legislative body give recognition to and express gratitude for the vitality, altruism, and tremendous determination of young Tennesseans such as Ashlyn Hodges, who truly are shining stars on the horizon of our State's future; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby congratulate 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award recipient Ashlyn Hodges, recognize her outstanding volunteerism in her community, and wish her every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.